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ADD 11 DEFENSE

JOHNSON SAID THE DELAY WAS GRANTED AT THE REQUEST OF REPUBLICAN COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

"IT WAS FELT," HE SAID, "THAT CONFUSION ARISING FROM DULLES' RECENT TESTIMONY AND TODAY'S TESTIMONY BY TWINING SHOULD BE CLARIFIED BEFORE SECRETARY GATES' APPEARANCE."

THE STATEMENT DID NOT ELABORATE AND AN AIDE OF THE DEMOCRATIC LEADER REFUSED TO GO BEYOND JOHNSON'S LANGUAGE.

ANOTHER SOURCE, ASKED IF THERE WAS A CONFLICT BETWEEN THE DULLES AND TWINING TESTIMONY, SAID HE WOULD NOT GO BEYOND THE WORD "CONFUSION."

TWINING'S PUBLIC APPEARANCE WAS MARKED BY A THREE-HOUR DEFENSE OF EISENHOWER'S MILITARY POLICIES, WHICH WAS CLIMAXED WHEN SYMINGTON CAME UP WITH HIS SECRET INTELLIGENCE FIGURES.

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